

## California Local Workforce Investment Boards Involvement in Green Jobs Initiatives

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Anaheim WIB	Director: Ruben Aceves (RAceves(at)anaheim.net)  714-765-4895	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning to co-host an Energy/Environment Industry Forum in partnership with Santa Ana and Orange County WIBs.</li> </ul>
Alameda County WIB	Director: Dorothy Chen (dchen(at)co.alameda.ca.us)  510-259-3842	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actively involved in the East Bay Green Academy Planning Initiative, which includes an East Bay Green Energy Pathways Proposal. This is a public/private and academic partnership that will serve both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.</li> <li>Participating in the "Green Tech Cluster" that is currently developing an appropriate workforce development strategy that will simultaneously meet industry needs and address the region's social and environment goals.</li> <li>Aligning workforce and economic development goals of the partner cities in the East Bay Green Corridor (Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, Richmond) w/ the East Bay Green Academy and Green Tech Cluster planning.</li> </ul>
Contra Costa County WIB	Director: Robert Lanter (blanter(at)ehsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us)  925-646-5239	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending meetings with the larger bay area region water district supervisors. Helping coordinate a regional meeting in May with corresponding WIBS and water districts to begin mapping out strategies to address workforce needs.</li> <li>Collecting data specific to when and how big the need will be for operators for their districts. Shortage means potential health and safety issues for the public water system. Clearly green and urgent. All WIBs in the area will convene in May to hear the scope of the issues and to design a response to begin addressing this regional and pressing issue. The Workforce Development Board, in partnership with EastBay MUD is coordinating this discussion.</li> </ul>

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Foothill WIB	Director: Phillip Dunn (pdunn(at)ci.pasadena.ca.us)  626-584-8395	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Having regional meetings on Green Jobs. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> </ul>
Fresno WIB	Director: Blake Konczal (bkonzal(at)workforce-connection.com)  559-490-7100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
Golden Sierra WIB	Interim Director: Jason Buckingham (buckingham(at)goldensierra.com)  530-823-4631	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joined with Sacramento to request WIA 15% funds to retrain residential construction workers in a variety of clean energy skills.</li> </ul>
Humboldt County WIB	Director: Jaqueline Debets (jdebets(at)co.humboldt.ca.us)  707-445-7747	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with NoRTEC and NCCC on numerous initiatives that include green jobs, bio-fuel, wind energy, solar, almost anything in alternative fuels.</li> </ul>
Imperial County Employment & Training	Director: Sam Couchman (scouchman(at)icoet.org)  760-337-5000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently meeting with a variety of officials and company executives regarding the creation and expansion of green jobs in the County.</li> <li>An Alternative Energy Summit was held last week and people from different parts of the Country and some foreign countries attended. Concentrating on Geothermal, which is already present and active in Imperial County, Solar Power, Wind Power and Ethanol Production.</li> <li>Involved in both the Economic Development aspects and Workforce preparation. Currently work with Geothermal in providing Workforce information and referrals and within the</li> </ul>

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		next year, plan to be seriously engaged in providing training and support to both the Solar and Ethanol entities, which are in the process of locating in Imperial County.
Kern, Inyo, Mono WIB	Director: Verna Lewis (vernal(at)co.kern.ca.us)  661-324-9675	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
Kings County Job Training Office	Director: John Lehn (jlehn(at)co.kings.ca.us)  559-585-3532	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
City of Los Angeles WIB	Director: Greg Irish (Girish(at)mayor.lacity.org)  213-978-1965	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending regional meetings on Green Jobs held by South Bay. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> <li>The City of LA will be releasing an RFP on May 7th regarding Green Technology.</li> <li>The City has conducted a survey of City buildings to retro and signed a Green Building Ordinance on 4/22/08 to promote green building practices in the private sector. The ordinance would require reduction of the City's carbon emissions by more than 80,000 tons by 2012.</li> <li>The City has developed an aggressive municipal green building plan. The plan calls for the City to reduce its own carbon footprint by 35% by 2030. City buildings will be retrofitted as part of this plan. It is possible that savings from the retrofitting may be used for workforce development related to these projects.</li> </ul>

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Los Angeles County WIB	<p>Director: Josie Marquez (jmarquez(at)css.co.la.ca.us)</p> <p>213-738-3175</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attending regional meetings on Green Jobs held by South Bay. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> <li>• The California Green Jobs Training and Employment Coalition is a demand-driven alliance of workforce development entities guided by input from private and public stakeholders in the green movement. The Coalition's primary goal is to build a clean technology, livable-wage workforce that responds to industry demands and supports economic development and growth in our communities, in our region and in our state. The Coalition is made up of Los Angeles Workforce Investment Area WIBS, including Los Angeles County WIB, Los Angeles City WIB, South Bay WIB, Verdugo WIB, Foothill WIB as well as EDD, Community College representatives and others.</li> <li>• According to a recent study commissioned by the City of Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board, among the top demand occupations in Los Angeles' green technology sector are electricians, plumbers and pipe-fitters, carpenters, construction laborers and general and operations managers. Further, the largest "middle-skill" occupations in Los Angeles' green technology industries requiring an average of 1.5 years or less of training and education, include: electricians; architectural drafters; plumbers and pipefitters; sheet metal workers; carpenters; bookkeepers and auditors; secretaries; general helpers-electricians; construction laborers; office clerks—general; and refuse and recyclable collectors.</li> <li>• In Southern California, mounting anecdotal evidence, which includes large-scale solar panel installation projects by major public utilities, suggests that demand for Photovoltaic Installers will soon accelerate.</li> </ul> <p>(more)</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Based on first two meetings, it is clear that a strategic plan for the Coalition is needed and that certain aspects of the effort require focused work by smaller groups.</li> <li>In addition to meeting on May 2, the Coalition will schedule a half-day session later in the month for all interested Coalition members in which the group will have an opportunity to draft an action plan that will provide direction to the Coalition's immediate and future efforts.</li> </ul>
Madera County WIB	Director: Elaine Craig (ecraig(at)maderacoe.k12.ca.us)  559-662-4589	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> <li>Adopted Renewable Energy as one of their identified industries/sectors, however, is in the formative stage of having discussions specific to green jobs.</li> </ul>
Marin County WIB	Director: Michele Rodriguez (michele(at)boggis.com)  415-883-2502	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working on green jobs, mainly around solar panel installation training.</li> </ul>
Merced WIB	Director: Andrea Baker (abaker(at)co.merced.ca.us)  209-724-2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
Mother Lode WIB	Director: Robert Martin (martin(at)mljt.org)  209-533-3396	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>

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Napa Valley WIB	Director: Bruce Wilson (bwilson2(at)co.napa.ca.us)  707-253-4697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participating in the Sustainable Napa County Initiative - The WIB Executive Director serves on the leadership team of a community wide group of private and public executives that are trying to reduce the carbon footprint of Napa County.</li> <li>• One strategy is to build an economy that leverages the high level of investment into green technology; and to deliver a workforce for potential green companies.</li> <li>• The WIB Director serves as the Co-Chair of the Education/Workforce Subcommittee.</li> <li>• Through its participation in this leadership group, the WIB will continue to leverage the expertise of key community stakeholders from NASA, Environmental Protection Agency, local Foundations, County and city officials, Napa Valley College and others as it explores the potential for a “green collar” workforce in Napa County.</li> </ul>
North Central Counties Consortium (NCCC)	Director: Stewart Knox (sknox(at)ncen.org)  530-822-7145	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with NCCC and Humboldt on numerous initiatives that include green jobs, bio-fuel, wind energy, solar, almost anything in alternative fuels.</li> <li>• NoRTEC, and NCCC through WIRED has also worked with three community colleges to develop trainings along the lines of Hybrid cars, bio diesel and wind energy farms. Also currently in talks with PG&amp;E for specialized trainings.</li> <li>• Invenergy is located in the Lassen area and is planning a large wind energy farm. In addition to that the local</li> <li>• One-Stop is working with the college to design curriculum with the industry.</li> </ul>
North Valley Job Training Consortium (NOVA)	Director: Michael Curran (mcurran(at)novapic.org)  408-730-7232	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Founding member of the SolarTech Board, and when incorporated will likely serve on the Board. A white paper on the strategy of the group’s efforts to enhance the success/growth rate of the industry in Silicon Valley can be viewed at <a href="http://www.solartech.org/">http://www.solartech.org/</a></li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increasing the number and qualifications of solar panel installers. Helped design and submit an Industry Driven Regional Collaborative (IDRC) grant awarded to Foothill-De Anza Community College for \$645K; and it is in full swing. De Anza is project managing the activities with the actual training taking place at San Jose City College (SJCC) and Cabrillo College in Santa Cruz. Instruction has initiated with a curriculum that was developed with industry input and is geared toward students being prepared to take the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) entry-level certification. In this first round SJCC has about 20 students and Cabrillo has about 30 students. The class is classroom instruction with lab experience. Students will complete the course in mid/end of May 2008. Following the curriculum portion, students can have the option of participating in an employer paid internship opportunity. NOVA is working with the Silicon Valley Leadership Group (SVLG) to contact local Solar Installer companies for internship positions.</li> <li>Working with all three community colleges to facilitate the process of matching students to employer internship opportunities. Currently engaged in many deliverables, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creation of an Employer Handbook and Student Intern Handbook.</li> <li>Active involvement with the Silicon Valley Leadership Group in outreach to employers for Solar Internships.</li> <li>Completed "Employer Commitment Form" to market internship to employers and to express interest in bringing interns to their company for work experience after completion of classroom training. Put that form on-line through NOVA website (almost live).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitated meetings with San Jose Workforce Board/ Work2Future(W2F)/ IBT and San Jose City College, as well as Santa Cruz Workforce Board and Cabrillo College to market Solar program for dislocated worker population, and underemployed/working poor.</li> <li>Produced marketing and information materials to be used at One Stops. Packets included: Profile of PV Solar Installer; PV Solar Installer Self-Assessment; North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) information; San Jose City College Solar PV Installation Training Course Outline; Bay Region Solar Industry workforce Study Preview by Economic and Workforce Development through California Community Colleges.</li> <li>Initiated planning with Project Manager for steps to take in implementing a matching system.</li> <li>Working with Community College to allow for this internship opportunity to be for credit through the established Community College Work Experience program system.</li> <li>Working internally to create an on-line application system for employers and students, as well as to use that system for matching.</li> </ul>
Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium (NORTEC)	Director: Charles Brown (cbrown(at)ncen.org)  530-872-9600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working on numerous initiatives with NCCC and Humboldt are that include green jobs, bio-fuel, wind energy, solar, almost anything in alternative fuels.</li> <li>Both Tehama and Shasta Counties have partnered with Shasta College on two grant applications through the Chancellor's Office: Building Green Industry Driven Regional Collaborative to create an emerging technologies project in the field of green construction technology ( \$431,000 for a two-year grant).</li> </ul> (more)



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renewable Energy Project (IDRC) to develop programs for training in emerging technologies relating to wind generation and photovoltaics (\$410,000 for a two year grant). Both grants have been approved, but funding not confirmed.</li> <li>• AFWD is working with Renegy to assist with workforce development, to include the development of a job-training program in conjunction with STEM and the development of education programs to prep people for high skilled jobs within the renewable energy field. A project that is being discussed is training the company's workforce after hire, with Lassen Community College establishing continuing education classes. AFWD, in conjunction with the STEM project, would provide the training for employees after hire.</li> <li>• AFWD would monitor a training plan that the renewable energy company implements. Since Renegy is planning to re-open the facility in just a few months, looking at post hire training, as opposed to pre hire training. A second STEM project involves internships and on the job training programs, where AFWD will work with Renegy to assist with the placement of youth (and other) clients into internships or on the job trainings to facilitate the training of the workforce. AFWD would develop and monitor the training program and the company would provide the on-site training. In addition, Renegy expressed initial interest in coming to the table and participating in the development of a college curriculum for the renewable energy industry.</li> </ul>
Oakland Workforce Investment Board	Director: Vacant Contact: Gay Plair Cobb Chief Executive Officer Oakland Private Industry Council, Inc. (gpcobb(at)oaklandpic.org)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participating in the "Green Tech Cluster" that is currently developing an appropriate workforce development strategy that will simultaneously meet industry needs and address the region's social and environment goals.</li> </ul> (more)

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	510-238-3752	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aligning workforce and economic development goals of the partner cities in the East Bay Green Corridor (Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, Richmond) w/ the East Bay Green Academy and Green Tech Cluster planning.</li> <li>The following website contains a report with additional information. Pages 23-26 specifically outline Oakland's green jobs priorities, strategies and initiatives. <a href="http://www.oaklandpartnership.com/reports/economy.asp">http://www.oaklandpartnership.com/reports/economy.asp</a></li> </ul>
Orange County WIB	Director: Andrew Munoz (Andrew.munoz(at)hcs.ocgov.com)  714-567-7370	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pending Rapid Response Special Project application entitled "TURNING ORANGE COUNTY <b>GREEN</b>." The project is to provide Orange County businesses with better access to training and information on growing green industries, cleaner technologies and greener ways of doing business. The project joins the increasing nationwide focus on energy and environment issues which includes the promotion and implementation of green technologies.</li> <li>The WIB will also be co-hosting an Energy/Environment Industry Forum in partnership with Santa Ana and Anaheim WIBs.</li> </ul>
Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network	Director: Bryan Rogers (bryan_rogers(at)longbeach.gov)  562-570-3650	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending regional meetings on Green Jobs held by South Bay. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> <li>Pacific Gateway has a partnership (funded April 2008) with Long Beach Community College District under an Industry Driven Regional Collaborative (IDRC) to train and place workers through a Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)/Green Diesel Heavy Truck repair grant.</li> <li>Ongoing project with the Environmental Protection Agency to train and place workers in remediation of soil and handling of waste.</li> </ul>

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Richmond Works	Director: Sal Vaca (svaca(at)richmondworks.org)  510-307-8014 x8006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actively advocating for and supporting green-collar training for nearly one year. Our RichmondBUILD pre-apprenticeship construction skills training program includes a solar installation component that was developed and implemented in partnership with Solar Richmond, Solar Living Institute, &amp; GRID Alternatives and, to date, several of our graduates are now working as solar installers and making a livable wage.</li> <li>Training program provides hands-on instruction and it also includes a "live" installation of a solar system for a low-income homeowner in our City. The solar installation system is paid for by our Housing Department's HOME/CDBG program. The program was implemented to help curtail youth violence.</li> </ul>
Riverside County WIB	Director: Felicia Flourney (FFlourney(at)RIVCOEDA.ORG) 951-955-3133	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launched a Regional Clusters of Opportunity initiative with San Bernardino. The Green Industry is one of the clusters to be explored. Also involved with the Green Valley Initiative spearheaded by a separate organization.</li> </ul>
Sacramento WIB	Director: Kathy Kossick (kathy(at)delpaso.seta.net)  916-263-3800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiative with American River College, Holt, Sacramento Regional Transit, California Labor Federation, and County Office of Education to start up a Clean Diesel mechanic program at the college. Funding from WIA, Chancellors office, and employers.</li> <li>Part of Clean Energy Action Team, a regional effort called Partnership for Prosperity to position Sacramento as the premier region in the nation for high-value, clean technology companies and elevate the region's visibility both nationally and internationally.</li> <li>Lead agency in recruiting and screening qualified candidates for OptiSolar, Inc., one of the largest photo-voltaic panel manufacturing plants in the world, which recently signed a</li> </ul>

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		<p>lease for space to open a 600,000 square foot solar panel manufacturing plant in Sacramento County at McClellan Park. OptiSolar will create over 500 jobs over the next three years at the manufacturing plant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiative with Community Resource Project, Sacramento Metropolitan Utility District, American River College, California Community Services and Development Department (CSD) to implement California Solar Initiative in the region with the goal of increasing the number of low-income homes using solar power and developing a pipeline for Solar Energy Systems Installers.</li> <li>• The City of Sacramento will receive funding (\$200,000) from the US Department of Energy to advance solar technologies city wide and has been named by DOE as one of 12 Solar American Cities.</li> <li>• Sierra College was awarded \$470,000 (from the State Chancellor's Office) for a photovoltaic Installer Training to educate future "green collar" workforce for solar companies, contractors and local government in the region. In addition, American River College is also beginning a Solar Energy Technician training. Golden Sierra and Sacramento have joined together to request WIA 15% funds to retrain residential construction workers in a variety of clean energy skills.</li> </ul>
City of San Bernardino WIB	<p>Director: Ernest Dowdy (ebdowdy(at)sbeta.com)</p> <p>909-888-7881</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched a Regional Clusters of Opportunity initiative with Riverside and San Bernardino County WIBs. The Green Industry is one of the clusters.</li> </ul>

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San Bernardino County WIB	Director: Sandy Harmsen (sharmsen(at)wdd.sbcounty.gov)  909-387-9862	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launched a Regional Clusters of Opportunity initiative with Riverside and San Bernardino City WIBs. The Green Industry is one of the clusters.</li> </ul>
San Diego Workforce Partnership, Inc.	Interim Director: Mark Cafferty (markc(at)workforce.org)  619-228-2900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating in regional Cleantech collaborative hosted by the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and the City of San Diego that is working to create a green cluster of industries in Agriculture, Air and Environment, Materials, Energy, Manufacturing, Recycling and Waste, Transportation, and Water and Wastewater.</li> <li>Conducting research with Cleantech companies to determine whether or not San Diego has a true green sector. Based on responses, employers will be interviewed further to identify future employment needs, and/or skills gap training and retraining.</li> <li>Collaborating with the Center for Sustainable Energy to develop a customized training for GeoThermal installers.</li> </ul>
San Francisco WIB	Director: Rhonda Simmons (rhonda.simmons(at)sfgov.org)  415-554-6192	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing workforce strategies to target green collar jobs in green construction, solar installation, greening/landscaping, energy efficiency, and recycling.</li> </ul>
San Joaquin WIB	Director: John Solis (jsolis(at)sjcworknet.org)  209-468-3500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
San Luis Obispo County WIB	Director: Lee Ferrero (lferrero(at)jobhunt.org)  805-788-2601	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with the California Conservation Corps on training for their corps members in working with tree planting and habitat restoration.</li> </ul>

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San Mateo WIB	<p>Director: Fred Slone (fslone(at)co.sanmateo.ca.us)</p> <p>650-802-5181</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of a resolution on April 22, 2008, by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors calling for a county wide summit to support and develop green collar jobs. This initiative was developed in collaboration with the San Mateo Workforce Investment Board, the Human Services Agency, and workforce community partners.</li> <li>• The Workforce Investment Board and the One Stops will have a leading role in supporting this initiative and executing on the plan. SolarCity is a leading solar employer in San Mateo County. This employer partner has worked closely with our community colleges and has developed several exciting new resources to support the workforce. SolarCity has received approval for a federal apprenticeship training program, which they have built.</li> <li>• SolarCity has worked with the community colleges to assist in the development of curriculum to train the workforce for solar related jobs.</li> <li>• JobTrain is a One Stop Operator and one of the leading workforce community partners in San Mateo County. They have recently launched a new solar installation training course and are already training clients in this exciting new course.</li> <li>• San Mateo's One Stop system (PeninsulaWorks) has been and continues to actively screen and refer clients to green technology related employers, particularly solar employers.</li> </ul>
Santa Ana WIB	<p>Director: Linda Summers (lsummers(at)ci.santa-ana.ca.us)</p> <p>714-565-2600</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning to co-cost an Energy/Environment Industry Forum in partnership with Orange County and Anaheim WIBs.</li> </ul>

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Santa Barbara County WIB	Interim Director: Valerie C. Dhanens, Ph.D (V.Dhanens(at)SBCSocialServ.org)  805-681-4446	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posting "Green2Gold" notices to all WIB members from a former WIB member who is active in the Green2Gold movement.</li> </ul>
Santa Cruz County WIB	Director: Kathy Zwart (hra716(at)hra.co.santa-cruz.ca.us)  831-454-4873	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitated meetings with NOVA, San Jose Workforce Board/Work2Future(W2F)/IBT and San Jose City College, as well as Santa Cruz Workforce Board and Cabrillo College to market Solar program for dislocated worker population, and underemployed/working poor.</li> </ul>
Silicon Valley WIN-Work 2 Future	Director: Jeff Ruster (jeff.ruster(at)ci.sj.ca.us)  408-277-2727	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received ETP \$ to support training of 200 NanoSolar employees</li> <li>• Will receive \$500K of CDBG funds to train approx. 60 adults in careers in clean and green technology. Program start is July 1, 2008</li> <li>• Facilitated meetings with NOVA, San Jose Workforce Board/Work2Future(W2F)/IBT and San Jose City College, as well as Santa Cruz Workforce Board and Cabrillo College to market Solar program for dislocated worker population, and underemployed/working poor.</li> <li>• At our flagship one-stop, the International Association of Nanotechnology has a dry lab and they are training people for careers in clean and green. They also host quarterly forums with venture capitalists, businesses, and research and trade associations.</li> </ul> <p>(more)</p>

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Solano County WIB	Director: Robert Bloom (rbloom(at)solanowib.org)  707-864-3370	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with WIBs from Sonoma, Marin, and Napa (North Bay Employment Connection) to identify green job initiatives including solar, wind and geothermal.</li> <li>Last year the NBEC had a retreat with the four counties, WIB leadership, regional community colleges and others and identified green industries as the targeted industry sector for research and development and dialogue with employers and education partners to determine curricula already in place and what needs to be developed.</li> <li>Solano is well positioned as a principal location for electric generation for wind power.</li> <li>An electric car manufacturer is currently considering locating in the county.</li> </ul>
Sonoma County WIB	Director: Karen Fies (kfies(at)schsd.org)  707-565-8501	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partnering with the Sonoma County Economic Development Board, the Sonoma County Water Agency and PG&amp;E on an Innovation Council which is looking at many renewable resources, including energy, water and workforce.</li> <li>The Sonoma County WIB is working with WIBs from Solano, Marin, and Napa (North Bay Employment Connection) to identify green job initiatives including solar, wind and geothermal.</li> </ul>



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South Bay WIB	<p>Director: Jan Vogel (jvogel(at)sbwib.org)</p> <p>310-970-7700</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holding regional meetings on Green Jobs. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> <li>• Organizing the California Green Jobs Training and Employment Coalition (Coalition), an alliance of key California workforce development entities and public and private industry leaders to develop human capital for Green Jobs and a green future.</li> <li>• The Coalition is finding that included among the top demand occupations in Los Angeles' green technology sector are electricians, plumbers and pipe fitters, carpenters, construction laborers and general and operations managers. Also know that the largest middle-skill occupations in Los Angeles' green technology industries requiring an average of 1.5 years or less of training and education include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Electricians</li> <li>b) Architectural Drafters</li> <li>c) Plumbers and Pipefitters</li> <li>d) Sheet Metal Workers</li> <li>e) Carpenters</li> <li>f) Bookkeepers and Auditors</li> <li>g) Secretaries, General</li> <li>h) Helpers-Electricians</li> <li>i) Construction Laborers</li> <li>j) Office Clerks, General</li> <li>k) Refuse and Recyclable Collectors</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The Coalition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joining the South Bay Workforce Investment Board and the Los Angeles-Ventura Workforce Services Division of the California EDD are the following local workforce investment boards in Los Angeles County: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) City of Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) County of Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board</li> <li>c) Verdugo Workforce Investment Board</li> <li>d) Foothill Workforce Investment Board</li> <li>e) SELACO Workforce Investment Board</li> <li>f) Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network</li> <li>• Southern California Edison (SCE) and the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation have already attended an initial Coalition meeting and have expressed interest in participating as lead members. In addition to the East Los Angeles Skill Center, which is a part of the Los Angeles Unified School District, the growing list of participating community colleges includes El Camino College, Los Angeles Southwest College, Los Angeles Harbor College, Santa Monica College and Rio Hondo College.</li> <li>• Other public and private industry partners expected to join the Coalition as members of its "Industry Intelligence Group" include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power</li> <li>b) The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)</li> <li>c) The Port of Los Angeles</li> <li>d) Los Angeles World Airports</li> <li>e) South Coast Air Quality Management District</li> <li>f) Sempra Energy</li> <li>g) The Gas Company</li> <li>h) West Basin Water District</li> <li>i) BP (British Petroleum)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(more)</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Coalition will serve as a membership-wide umbrella to support the pursuit and acquisition of public and private funding for large-scale Green Jobs initiatives in California, and as an umbrella for sub-sets of partners working on smaller, localized or need-specific projects.</li> <li>The Coalition members are currently forming work-groups to focus on a variety of areas.</li> <li>A progress report and proposal for funding are being developed for the honorable Hilda Solis, Congressional Representative, 32nd District and co-author of the federal Green Jobs Act of 2007, to launch and support the Coalition's initial activities.</li> </ul>
South East Los Angeles County WIB	Director: Ron Crossley (ron(at)selaco.com)  562-402-9336	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending regional meetings on Green Jobs held by South Bay. All the WIBs in LA County are participating or committed to participate.</li> </ul>
Stanislaus County Department of Employment and Training	Director: Jeff Rowe (rowej(at)mail.co.stanislaus.ca.us)  209-558-2113	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
Tulare County WIB Inc.	Director: Adam Peck (apeck(at)tcwib.org)  559-713-5200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating with all the members of the Central Valley Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), who have adopted Renewable Energy as one of five regional sectors we will be focusing on under the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.</li> </ul>
Ventura County WIB	Director: Cheryl Moore (Cheryl.Moore(at)ventura.org)  805-477-5305	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating in discussions with the Economic Development Colaborative.</li> </ul>

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Verdugo WIB	<p>Director: Madalyn Blake (mblake(at)ci.glendale.ca.us)</p> <p>818-548-2053</p> <p>Contact: Don Nakamoto (djnakamoto(at)aol.com)</p> <p>818-548-2053</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with the 6 other WIBs and some community colleges on a green jobs initiative for L.A., led by South Bay WIB.</li> </ul>